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LORD CURZON COMES HOME FOR A WELL-EARNED HOLIDAY.



After five years' hard work and heavy responsibility as Viceroy of India, Lord Curzon arrives in London to-day for a brief respite. He returns to India again in October for a further term of two years. Photographs of Lady Curzon and of Walmer Castle, the official residence of Lord Curzon as Warden of the Cinque Ports, appear on pages 6 and 7.—(Photograph by Bourne and Shepherd, Calcutta.)

TO-DAY'S WEATHER.

Our special weather forecast for to-day is: southerly breezes; continuing fine and warm; cloudy or hazy at times.
Lighting-up time: 8.43 p.m.
Sea passages will be smooth generally.
Foe in places.

To-day's News at a Glance.

The news of another of those unequal marriages, to which society is rapidly becoming accustomed, has just leaked out. It is that of Emma, Dowager Countess of Ravensworth, with Mr. James William Wadsworth, who, in the marriage register, is described as a "steward." Mr. Wadsworth, who is twenty-eight, is said, however, to have acted as coachman to Lady Ravensworth, and continued his duties for a week after marriage.

A *Mirror* representative made inquiries at St. George's, Hanover-square, yesterday afternoon, and found that the marriage was practically a secret one. There is a great disparity in the ages of bride and bridegroom.

Both contracting parties gave the address of Upper Grosvenor-street. The witnesses were G. A. Tourle and J. H. Childen. The marriage is romantic—in one sense of the word—because of the different social positions of the bride and bridegroom. The latter is described as being the son of Mr. Thomas Wadsworth, estate agent.

Emma, Countess of Ravensworth, is the daughter of the Hon. Robert Denman, son of Lord Denman, the great lawyer, who was for many years Chief Justice of the Court of Queen's Bench. Miss Denman married in 1872 Major Osuru Baker Cresswell, of Cresswell Park, in Northumberland, and six years after his death she married the second Earl of Ravensworth, who died in February of last year. The late Earl left his wife in his will nearly £100,000, so the newly-married couple are amply provided for.

The Girl Who Refused to Curtsey
to the Queen.

Miss Kathleen Butler, the little lady who would not curtsy to the Queen because "she had no

crown on," was bashful when the *Mirror* representative saw her. She looked up with her big, blue Irish eyes, and then with the dignity of four years retreated speedily to the sheltering arms of her grandmother.

It was at the Albert Hall bazaar that diminutive Miss Butler, who was in attendance at one of the stalls, was told when the Queen came she must make a very polite curtsy.

"It was too bad," said Mrs. Butler, "she had practised her curtsey until she could manage it quite nicely. When the Queen's back was turned

she was so excited and curtseyed all the time. Then Colonel Davidson told her Majesty that there was a little girl who wished to curtsey to her, and the

Queen came over to the stall. As she walked up I whispered 'Here is the Queen. Now make your curtsy.' But the little rebel looked up at the Queen

and said, 'You're not the Queen. You haven't got a crown on.'"

The Queen Was So Nice.

Little Miss Butler peeped round shyly from the protection of Granny's dress. "She didn't have a crown on," she persisted.

"The Queen was so nice," continued Mrs. Butler; "she took Kathleen's hand. 'Won't you make your curtsy,' her Majesty asked."

You haven't got a crown on, said Kathleen in a disappointed little voice. She had thought of a fairy queen, wearing a beautiful crown, and

when she saw only a well-dressed lady standing before her, she could not believe it was the Queen."

"Won't you make your curtsy now, to show me how you meant to make it to the Queen?"

Little bold, bad Miss Butler made a demure bob. "Oh, no, deeper than that," urged her grand-

mother. After some consultation with another member of the family the small lady returned and gravely holding the skirts of her long nightgown

"There, you see how well she might have done

it," said Mrs. Butler.

QUEEN VICTORIA'S GRATITUDE

Death Recalls an Incident Which

Might Have Changed History.
Mr. John William Turner, who was well known

Mr. Turner was quite a character: he made

Highgate and its history a special study, and was an enthusiastic canvasser for the Navy League. He was never tired of relating an episode in his

father's life—an episode which left a reflected glory upon the son.

Soon after Queen Victoria came to the throne in

1837 she was being driven with her mother, the Duchess of Kent, down the steep West-hill, near Highgate, when the horses took fright.

The Queen was greatly alarmed, and it seemed as though there would be a serious accident, when Mr. Turner's father, who kept a public-house near the river, saw the King Under the Hill, and for

by, known as the Fox under the firm, ran forward, and, at very great personal risk, managed to block the wheels of the carriage.

while the horses were quieted. For this service Mr. Turner received a present of money from her Majesty, and was granted a licence to use the

royal arms as a sign. Underneath the board upon which these were displayed was written, "This coat of arms is a grant from Queen Victoria for

services rendered to her Majesty while in danger travelling down this hill."

DAILY NEWS AT SEA.
NEW YORK, Saturday.

Yesterday, when the Cuban liner *Campania*, on which Mr. Marconi is a passenger, was off Nantucket, an inquiry reached him by wireless telegraph from the "Tribune" regarding the success

He replied: "Results satisfactory for immediate inauguration."—*Reuter.*

FIERCE FIGHTING.

Another Russian Reverse
in Manchuria.

1,500 CASUALTIES.

20,000 Japanese Land and
Attack Dalny.

Japanese troops have occupied Sui-yen, 60 miles east of Liao-yang, after a severe engagement, in which the Russians are reported to have lost 1,500 killed and wounded.

Dalny was bombarded on Saturday by a Japanese squadron, and troops were landed under the fire from the ships. It is estimated that Dalny is now invested by 20,000 Japanese.

From Liao-yang a message has reached St. Petersburg that the Japanese who were advancing on Liao-yang from Feng-wang-cheng have fallen back, and the advance on Hai-cheng has also ceased for the present.

Dalny is believed to be practically in the possession of the Japanese forces. A terrific bombardment of the town took place on Saturday, and under the fire of the Japanese ships troops were landed.

News of a severe fight at Sui-yen is to hand. The Japanese forces had occupied Kuan-tien-cheng on the 7th, and left that place on Thursday for Sui-yen, which they only occupied after a severe engagement, in which the Russian losses are said to have been 1,500 killed and wounded.

Nothing definite is known of the movements of General Kuroki's three divisions, which were advancing on Liao-yang. A report has been sent from that place stating that the Japanese have fallen back, but there is no confirmation of this very improbable story.

On the other hand, rumours are spreading that General Kuropatkin will not fight at Liao-yang, but will retreat to Harbin to prepare for a quick and decisive campaign to the south in the late summer.

SEVERE LAND BATTLE.

1,500 Russians Killed and
Wounded at Sui-yen.

Messages from Shan-hai-kwan state that the Japanese occupied Sui-yen, 60 miles east of Liao-yang, on Thursday, after a severe engagement.

According to a statement issued by the Japanese Legation in London, the Japanese had occupied Kuan-tien-san, 60 miles north-east of Feng-wang-cheng, and General Pflug reported to St. Petersburg on Saturday that Kuan-tien-san was evacuated on Thursday, and a Japanese division was marching on Sui-yen.

TIENSIN, Saturday.

According to the report current here of a severe engagement at Sui-yen, the fighting took place in the hills around the town on Thursday.

The Russians are alleged to have lost 1,500 killed and wounded, but as regards the loss of the Japanese, who are said to have occupied the town, no figures are mentioned.

It is impossible to ascertain the truth of these reports here, but the occurrence of a battle at Sui-yen is not unlikely, as the town is in the path of the advance of the First Japanese Army, whose apparent objective is Hai-cheng.

Sui-yen is in the midst of rugged hills, where even a small force could make an effective resistance before ultimately retreating.—Reuter's Special Service.

RUSSIAN BATTLES.

SHAN-HAI-KWAN, Sunday.

No further details of the reported battle at Sui-yen have reached here.

A native rumour of heavy fighting at Kaiping yesterday is current, but is received with reserve.—Reuter.

JAPANESE FALLING BACK.

According to a message received at St. Petersburg from Liao-yang, the Japanese troops advancing on Liao-yang from Feng-wang-cheng have fallen back, and the advance on Hai-cheng has also ceased for the present.

RUSSIA WILL RETIRE TO HARBIN.

NEWCHWANG, Sunday.

A Russian officer who does not wish his name to be published informs me that the Russian plan is to retreat to Harbin, where they will remain until troops arrive from home, when they will make a quick decisive campaign to the south in the late summer.—Reuter's Special.

RAILWAY DESTROYED.

While a message from Shan-hai-kwan states that railway communication to Port Arthur has been restored, a Newchwang telegram says that the railway has been destroyed for a distance of seventeen miles.

The few troops left in Newchwang, says Reuter, have been moved to the Russian camp three miles east of the city, which is practically unprotected.

RUSSIANS IN KOREA.

SEOUL, Friday.

Stories are constantly being received here of further Russian forces in Northern Korea. The Governor of Ham-heung-do reports that 2,000 are distributed in that province, 450 on the Kyong-song coast, and others in other parts, all of them living on the coast. Another party of 700 is stated to be at Kw-cheng, north of Chong-jin.—Reuter's Special Service.

DALNY INVESTED.

Japanese Land Under Cover from
Their Ships' Fire.

Admiral Kataoka's squadron bombarded Dalny on Saturday morning, and the land batteries were speedily silenced. According to Reuter, Japanese troops were then landed under cover of the ship's fire, and a combined attack on the city was undertaken.

There is every indication that the town is now in the possession of the Japanese.

A later message says it is estimated that 20,000 Japanese are investing the town.

ST. PETERSBURG, Saturday.

The General Staff has received the following telegram of yesterday's date from Major-General Kharkevich:—

A Japanese detachment of about one thousand infantry and two squadrons of cavalry advanced on the 12th inst. towards Pu-lan-tien Station, where they did some slight damage to the railway line. A train which had left Dalny with the families of the employees there had to return. The Japanese withdrew towards evening. During the night Pu-lan-tien was illuminated by the searchlights of Japanese ships stationed in Adams Bay.

On the 13th Japanese detachments were discovered in the neighbourhood of Pu-lan-tien, on the slope of the Er-koku-hin mountain, and in the valley of the Ma-nu-ho, twelve kilometres east of Sui-yen.—Reuter.

PORT ARTHUR.

How the Beleaguered Town Regards
the Position.

Describing his escape from Port Arthur, a Russian correspondent says, according to Reuter:—

Our communications with the north were broken on the 5th, and on the following day the telegraph office refused to accept messages. The Japanese cavalry reconnoitred the peninsula to ascertain if we were locked up. The fact did not cause any particular impression at Port Arthur. The weather was beautiful, bands were playing on the boulevard, and there were many promenaders.

We heard that the Japanese had fired upon the last outgoing train carrying sick and wounded; rumours arrived of the destruction of the railroad and the blowing up of bridges; but our spirits were not depressed.

The military talked of nothing except the second siege of Sebastopol, although, as a matter of fact, Sebastopol was not cut off on the land side. "We can die like our forefathers" is the universal sentiment expressed. Ceaseless activity prevails in the fortifications and armoured batteries. Women from Dalny, which is doomed to destruction, sought shelter here, but they were not allowed to remain.

The enemy fired on our sentries. Finding the dead body of one of the latter the Japanese took off his tunic, rolled it up, placed it under his head as a pillow, and then reverently crossed the dead man's arms on his breast.

GAY HARBIN.

A resident at Harbin in a letter says the town presents a singular aspect. Reuter says: "Except for the girls who sing at the café concerts all the women seem to have left."

"We have been invaded by a crowd of adventurers, Orientals and Europeans, vying with one another in cheating the unwary soldier."

"We do not fear from here the cannon roars and human blood flows, there are houses in Harbin whence, from morning till night, come the merry strains of light music."

"The most animated point of the town is the railway station, where fresh troops are continually arriving at the rate of some 4,000 daily. All the soldiers are burning to meet the enemy."

It is stated that the ammunition train which the Russians got through to Port Arthur also conveyed a submarine in sections.

Admiral Alexieff is reported to be leaving Mukden for Harbin, which is several hundred miles north of Liao-yang, where the next great battle is expected to occur.

In an order respecting Government work at Kronstadt, the Chief of Gendarmery says:—"I beg Major-General Larine to refrain from being vulgar to persons addressing themselves to him on service matters. It is possible to be active, energetic, and very exacting, and at the same time remain within the bounds of common civility."—Reuter.

KING AND SIR H. M. STANLEY.

Lady Stanley has received a letter of sympathy from His Majesty the King, in which he says: "I have the great advantage of knowing your distinguished husband personally, and often heard from his own lips the most interesting accounts of his grand travels and explorations and the valuable services he rendered for the civilisation of the world. The great name he won will ever live after him."

The funeral of the late Sir H. M. Stanley tomorrow will take place from 2, Richmond-terrace, Whitehall, about eleven o'clock. After the Abbey service a special train will convey the body and principal mourners to Brookwood, whence the body will be conveyed to Fribright Cemetery. The committal service will take place there about 5.30 p.m.

No applications for tickets for the Abbey can be considered after two o'clock this afternoon.

BRITISH STEAMER STOPPED.

WASHINGTON, Saturday.

Mr. Thompson, the United States Minister to Brazil, states that Brazilian officers yesterday stopped the British ship *Manaos* as it was ascending the Amazon on the ground that it had 250 cases of ammunition on board destined for the Peruvian military forces in the up-river country, the possession of which is at present in dispute between Brazil and Peru.

It is expected that Great Britain will enter a protest.—Reuter.

TREASON MYSTERY.

Betrayal of Important French
Military Plans.

INNOCENT ENGLISHMEN INVOLVED.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

PARIS, Sunday Night.

A remarkable espionage case, in which the victims are two Englishmen—Mr. R. H. Harris, of Oak Hill, Surbiton, Surrey, and Mr. Birckbeck—is engaging the attention of the French police.

An individual who gave his name as Ferguson, but who is really of German nationality, and has several aliases, and a Frenchman, who was known as the Marquis de Manneville, have been arrested at Orleans, upon information furnished by the French Consul in London, and some sensational developments are expected.

Messrs. Harris and Birckbeck made the acquaintance of Ferguson at St. Sebastian, where Mr. Harris had a villa, which Ferguson expressed a wish to buy.

When, however, Mr. Harris met Ferguson at Limoges, to complete the negotiations, Ferguson persuaded Mr. Harris and Mr. Birckbeck to act as intermediaries for the sale of certain documents in the possession of the Marquis de Manneville.

It is now believed that these documents, of the contents of which Messrs. Harris and Birckbeck were completely ignorant, were military plans, and on subsequent information reaching Mr. Harris he communicated with the French Consulate in London. Thereupon the police on this side of the Channel commenced a hunt for Ferguson and the Marquis, and ran them to earth at Orleans.

Ferguson is said to be known to the English police, and also to their Continental brethren. He is a well-bred and polished individual, with gentlemanly manners, and at St. Sebastian he was exceedingly popular. He was admitted to the most exclusive society, was elected on the managing committee, and was received in the best society.

He was accompanied everywhere by a beautiful Peruvian lady, who was regarded as his wife. It is said that he has obtained a sum of £1,200 from Mr. Harris.

TIBETANS MEAN FIGHTING.

Enemy Reported to Have Received
Large Reinforcements.

A Reuter's Special Service telegram received last night states that on May 11 picked sharpshooters posted on the roofs of houses in the British camp at Gyantse were able, to a very large extent, to subdue the fire from the Tibetan fort, in spite of the fact that the enemy were reported to have received large reinforcements.

Early that morning a column went out and burned a large village whence firing had been directed on the camp during the attack on the 5th inst., and where the enemy took refuge.

A telegram from Gyantse, dated May 12, says the Tibetans have mounted some more jingalls of a superior class, and kept up a persistent bombardment on that day, wounding one Sikh.

The report of May 13 was that the country in front of the British was in a ferment. The Lamas, after the fashion of the Mullahs on the Pathan frontier, were going from valley to valley preaching a holy war, and 2,000 Khamba warriors were said to be marching to join the Tibetan army at Gyantse. The bombardment of the camp continued, the enemy having found the range of every building in the camp.

The miles had to be moved, as they were under the direct fire of the fort. Curiously enough, the line behind the British still remains perfectly open.

SIMLA, Saturday.

The half battalion of native infantry which has been warned for service in Tibet is drawn from the 40th Pathans.—Reuter.

WHY MAJOR SEELY RESIGNED.

"I believe in people doing what they are told," said Major Seely at Whitefields Central Mission yesterday, was the remark made to him by a very prominent personage.

The occasion arose by his suggesting that it would be unwise to proceed with a certain measure. "I began to think," said the major, "that perhaps I was not quite amongst those with whom I meant to work."

THE KAISER AND PEACE.

The German Emperor, replying to an address of welcome presented to him by the Burgomaster of St. Johann Saubricken, said: "As we have a clean conscience and look for a quarrel nowhere, God will stand by us should ever an attack be made by hostile forces on our peacefulness."—Reuter.

HONEYMOON BY BALLOON.

GENEVA, Sunday.

The "Nouvelle Gazette" of Zurich publishes the following curious announcement:—

"An Austrian officer, of the balloon section wishes to marry a lady who will have the courage to make her honeymoon trip in a balloon with him."

"Offers are to be addressed to 'Ikarus,' 2, Seiler Platte, Vienna."

SECOND THOUGHTS BEST.

VIENNA, Sunday.

"The comedy is played out," with these words, in a farewell letter found on her writing-table, a well-known Austrian authoress left her home two days ago with the intention of committing suicide. Yesterday, however, she returned, having postponed her suicide to a more convenient season.

ATTACK ON THE BOY'S CIGARETTE.

GENEVA, Sunday.

The municipal authorities of St. Gall have passed a by-law prohibiting smoking by minors. The penalties are five francs for the smokers and for any person furnishing them with tobacco. Informers are to receive a reward of five francs.

LORD CURZON HOME.

Indian Viceroy's Warm Greeting
at Dover.

TOUCHING FAMILY SCENES.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

DOVER, Sunday Night.

Lord Curzon, Viceroy of India, arrived at Calais shortly after one o'clock to-day. His Lordship was at once recognised, and people on the quay raised their hats as a mark of respect.

On going aboard the mail steamer *Pas de Calais*, Lord Curzon was conducted to a state saloon. He was wearing a light flannel lounge suit, but when he returned on deck shortly afterwards he was attired in morning dress with a dark blue overcoat. Lord Curzon remained on deck all the way across Channel. He recognised and conversed with several persons on board.

Amongst those who had travelled home from India as fellow passengers of the Viceroy was K. S. Ranjitsingh.

POSING FOR A SNAPSHOT.

During the cross-Channel voyage Lord Curzon posed to the famous cricketer for a snapshot.

In answer to a question, Lord Curzon said the trip home had been an exceedingly pleasant one.

A very large crowd assembled on the Admiralty Pier at Dover to witness the arrival of the Viceroy. Lady Curzon and her two daughters, who arrived at Dover, were staying at the Lord Warden Hotel, and were escorted to the landing stage by Sir William Crundall, mayor of Dover. As the mail steamer came towards the landing stage Lady Curzon and the children in delight waved their handkerchiefs and smiled radiantly at the Viceroy, who was standing by the Lord Warden Hotel and family, whose welcome he cordially returned.

There was an affectionate greeting between the Viceroy and his wife and children, all appearing unfeignedly happy to be again in each other's company. Lady Curzon looked exceedingly handsome in a cerise-coloured dress. She wore a black picture hat, trimmed with ostrich feathers, and a very long brown feather boa.

After the family greeting Sir Wm. Crundall, on behalf of the town and Harbour Board, formally welcomed Lord Curzon and introduced a deputation of officials.

THE VICEROY'S LITTLE DAUGHTER.

A brief conversation then took place between Sir Wm. Crundall and Lord Curzon respecting his installation as Lord Warden of the Cinque ports, and an early meeting was arranged to deal with the matter.

In the meantime Lady Curzon entered into conversation with the members of the staff, with whom her two pretty little daughters were evidently great friends. On Lord Curzon rejoining the party the little girls quickly monopolised him, securing a hand each, and chatting gaily as they ascended the gangway and walked along the pier to the special train in waiting to convey the party to Walmer.

The Viceroy was heartily cheered by the large assemblage, the pier was and was evidently very pleased with his welcome, raising his hat again and again.

The special train arrived at Walmer at 3.25.

A large number of people assembled at Walmer Station and cheered Lord and Lady Curzon on their arrival. They drove in their electric brougham to Walmer Place, where they will reside until the work at Walmer Castle is completed. Lord Curzon paid a visit in the afternoon to the castle, and was much interested in the historic building.

A portrait of Lord Curzon appears on page 1, of Lady Curzon on page 6, and of Walmer Castle on pages 6 and 7.

REAL "HUSTLING."

American Millionaire's Tornado-like
Methods Astonish Londoners.

An American millionaire, who is the head of a large manufacturing concern in the United States, paid a flying visit to London last week for business purposes. He cabled from New York to a London firm that he would call upon them on Wednesday, May 11, at 10.30.

At the time appointed the millionaire rushed in like a Kansas tornado, and talked business for twenty minutes to the senior partner at a speed that nearly caused that gentleman an attack of heart failure.

On Thursday the American called again, stayed thirty minutes, and closed up a deal which meant some thousands of pounds a year. He sailed back to New York on Saturday, and the London firm are still wondering whether it was all a dream. The papers with the millionaire's signatures are real and convincing.

HOUDINI'S SILVER MANACLES.

At the Brighton Hippodrome on Saturday a representative of the *Daily Mail* presented the Handcuff King, Mr. Houdini, with a solid silver handcuff, made by Messrs. Hamilton, of Regent-street, a facsimile of the one from which the Handcuff King so marvellously released himself at the London Hippodrome.

Even Mr. Houdini, used as he is to tumultuous applause, must have been gratified at the reception of the little speech with which the presentation was made.

In response the Handcuff King told his audience that the *Mirror* challenge was at once the hardest and the easiest he had ever accepted. Hard, because the lock was the finest on earth; easy, because the whole thing had been carried out with the finest coyness by the newspaper concerned.

In after years, even if reduced to beggary, he would never part with a trophy of which he felt so proud of having gained.

Mr. Houdini sails for New York on the *Purist* Bismarck next week.

The census in Cape Colony shows that the population of Cape Town and suburbs numbers 169,179, an increase of 90,319 on the census of 1901.

MUCH NEWS IN FEW WORDS.

Women are to be allowed to bathe in one of the lakes at Victoria Park up to 10 a.m. on week-days and 9 a.m. on Sundays.

In a brown paper parcel the body of a newly-born female child was found on Saturday in the area of Messrs. Eyre and Spottiswoode's, the King's printers, at the corner of New-street-hill.

The Board of Trade has approved of the underground conduit system being adopted for the London County Council electric tramways along St. John-street, St. John-street-road, and Rosebery-avenue.

At a conference between coal owners and workmen's delegates, which took place at Cardiff, the owners demanded a reduction in the colliers' wages of 5 per cent., while the men asked for an advance of 3½ per cent. The matter was left for an independent chairman to decide next Saturday.

A new miniature rifle range and bowling saloon which is being constructed at a cost of £1,700, was opened Saturday afternoon at Lee Green, Lewisham. The opening ceremony was performed by Sir F. L. Cook, who bowled the first ball and fired the first three shots at the range.

BOY'S EAR CUT OFF.

While carrying a glass case in Camberwell on Saturday, Edward Boddy, aged fifteen, fell, smashing the case to pieces. Falling on one of the pieces of glass, he completely cut off his right ear.

SERVANTS ON BICYCLES.

At the May hirings this year held in different districts of Lincolnshire, cases of drunkenness, so common in years gone by, were very few indeed. A feature of Saturday's leaving was the large number of farm and domestic servants who came into the towns from the country districts on bicycles, many young farm servants being quite smartly mounted.

DAUGHTER'S SHOCKING DISCOVERY.

Mrs. Thomas, wife of the Cheltenham Station-master, went to bed with Empire, attended her leg. Her daughter, on going to wake her on Saturday, was shocked to find the bandage tied tightly round her mother's neck. Examination showed that it had caused the lady's death, which was due to strangulation.

FRIEND OF PRISONERS ROBBED.

Although Mr. William Pacy is an agent for the Society for the Relief of Discharged Prisoners, and his office is situated next door to the Worcester City Police Station, he was considered to be good prey by Albert Quarterman, who was on Saturday remanded on a charge of stealing a cash-box from Mr. Pacy's office. Prisoner, though only a youth, has been known by many aliases.

"RULE BRITANNIA" SCORE DISCOVERED

Among a collection of old music owned by a Mr. Gamble in Leicester there has been discovered the score of Wagner's "Rule Britannia" overture, which is described in Sir George Grove's dictionary as unpublished and missing.

Mr. Gamble purchased the collection from Mr. Thomas, a former conductor at the Opera House, Leicester, and in his youth an associate of Weber, Spohr, and Mendelssohn. The score bears the usual signature of Wagner, and is dated March, 1837.

MAGISTRATE WATCHED CAKEWALK.

At the North London Police Court, Mr. Adams, manager of the Holloway Empire, attended with Miss Belle Davis and two little nigger boys, aged eleven and thirteen, and asked for a licence for them to appear on the stage during next week.

In reply to the magistrate they said they were quite happy, and got plenty to eat and drink.

Mr. Fordham: At a pleasure to smoke? The emphatic "noes" of the boys raised a laugh. They added that they liked the work. Mr. Fordham said he had seen them perform the cake-walk at Brighton, and granted the licence.

YOUNG LADY THROWN IN HYDE PARK.

In Rotten-row on Saturday an exciting accident, resulting in injuries to Miss Elliott, the sixteen-year-old daughter of Colonel Elliott, occurred.

The horse Miss Elliott was riding suddenly bolted, and a gentleman riding after it and pulling it up, Miss Elliott was unseated, and felt heavily against the rails.

She lay insensible for a time, but two doctors, who were riding in the Row at the time, gave speedy assistance, and Miss Elliott was able to return to her father's home in Kensington.

ACTORS IN TROUBLE.

Two actors, members of the "The Flood Tide" company, will have good reason to remember their visit to Kingston. While wandering around with a large black bag late at night, in search of rooms, they encountered a policeman, who begged him to inform them where they could secure accommodation. When they moved on the constable began to grow suspicious, and he dogged their footsteps for a mile.

By that time he had grown convinced that their intentions were highly suspicious, and, pouncing upon them, he hauled both off to custody. They had to remain in charge, in spite of emphatic protestations, until one of their friends could be produced, to corroborate their story.

Fels-Naptha

The total money returned in two years is £1 3 6½ to 110 women.

They didn't go by the book. They do now though.

Fels-Naptha 39 Wilson street London E.C.

The Earl of Rosebery will address a general meeting of the members of the Liberal League on June 10 in the Queen's Hall.

In reply to an advertisement for four attendance officers at a salary of £75, a Derbyshire Divisional Education Committee has received 793 applications.

The King has signified his intention of opening this year's Royal Military Tournament, which will be opened at the Royal Agricultural Hall, Wington, at 3 p.m. on the 20th inst.

A public meeting of the Central Women's Suffrage Society will be held on Tuesday next at the West Kensington Lecture Hall. The chair will be taken by Lady Frances Balfour.

The proposed compromise between the theatres and music-halls on the sketch question has fallen through. The parties agreed on the thirty minutes' limit, but disagreed as to the number of superes the music-halls were to be allowed.

BOY CHARGED WITH STREET BETTING.

At the South-Western Police Court, John Lucas, sixteen, was charged with street betting. The lad was alleged to have taken up a position at the Plain Wandsworth, and received bets from a number of men, who handed him betting slips with money.

A detective officer stated that the prisoner was in the service of a well-known bookmaker, and the magistrate ordered a remand and invited the police to consider the advisability of instituting proceedings against the employer.

200 PAWN-TICKETS IN HER POCKETS.

At the inquest on the body of Maud Stevens, of Flower and Dean-street, Spitalfields, whose death was due to heart disease and alcoholic excess, it was stated that over two hundred pawn-tickets were found in her clothes, all for articles pledged for sums varying between sixpence and three shillings.

GAVE HIS LIFE FOR HIS DOG.

While David Thornton, a lad working in the Wombwell Glassworks, was crossing the lock gates with his friends, his dog fell into the canal, and was unable to get out.

Thornton, taking off his coat, clambered down the lock gates and tried to save the poor animal, but himself fell into the water and was drowned in the presence of his comrades.

THREE CHILDREN BITTEN BY DOGS.

Three children were bitten by dogs in London on Saturday.

Witness at play Dorothy Cox, 12, of 8, Redcliffe-mews, West Brompton, was attacked by a dog and badly bitten. She was treated at the Queen's Jubilee Hospital.

A little three-year-old boy, named Frederick Baker, of Lambeth-road, was severely bitten by a dog, and was removed to St. Thomas's Hospital. Samuel James Neville, of Lambeth, was also bitten by a dog.

SENDING SCHOOL TEACHERS ABROAD.

With the object of affording teachers an opportunity of acquiring a better knowledge of French and German, the Education Committee of the L.C.C. are proposing to award a sum of £10 each to sixteen teachers, for the purpose of attending holiday courses in France and Germany. The teachers will be required not to leave London for teaching purposes within three years of receiving this grant, otherwise the amount must be refunded.

BULLDOG PLAYS WITH SHEEP.

"I have a white bulldog who is nearly three years old which causes great amusement by his love for sheep," writes a lady in the "Field." Two fields near the house I let to the butcher for sheep to graze in.

"Bobs (the dog), whenever the sheep are put in grass and mowen, he barked much gas. The sheep are not in the least afraid of him. They like each other, and have great games. The sheep chase him, and he them, and he spends a lot of the day with them."

SAVED HIS GAS BILL.

An economical Scotch friend of mine was once advised that he could save a good deal of money on his gas bill by blowing down the pipe, says a writer in "London Opinion." He spent his leisure hours in this lung-inspiring exercise. When the collector came round to "read" the indicator he expressed mild surprise.

"No," replied my friend; "very little." "You don't owe the company much," added the collector. "I am pleased to hear it," remarked my friend.

And then the collector, thoughtfully regarding the well-tale, which had gone beyond zero, observed encouragingly, "You do not owe the company anything. In fact, the company owes you half a crown."

GANG OF YOUNG RUFFIANS.

When Joseph Wilson, a lad of sixteen, was charged at Worship-street with stealing taps from the Bethnal Green Board School a detective said the prisoner belonged to a gang who had taken six taps, valued at 4s., and sold them for sixpence.

The Rev. Mr. Andor, curate-in-charge of St. Bartholomew's, Bethnal Green, said that prisoner had been a lad of good promise, but in the neighbourhood there was an organised gang which the prisoner had been drawn into joining. He knew of many who had tried to withdraw from it, but were too frightened to do so, the threats of violence to them terrifying them into doing the will of the others. "The gang," said the reverend gentleman, "was a perfect terror."

The magistrate, in further reminding the prisoner, thought the police should give attention to the gang.

In celebration of a recent marriage the Duke of Norfolk has given £2,000 to the Norfolk and Norwich Hospital.

Mrs. Patrick Campbell has been engaged to appear at the Kennington Theatre in "Second Mrs. Tanageray" this week.

When a labourer at West Ham pleaded that he worked a defective remarked: "His hands are as soft as mine, and I don't work—at least with my hands."

The Duke of Life, as president of the Hospital for Sick Children in Great Ormond-street, attended a memorial service for the late Mr. Adrian C. F. Hope, which was held there on Saturday.

During the next six months the Health Committee of the London County Council propose to spend 45 per week upon an inquiry as to the adulteration of wines, beers, and spirits. Samples will be purchased at the rate of 30s. per week.

WEDDING-RING IN WATERCRESS.

A Walworth servant girl preparing some water-cress for table yesterday found in the bunch a wedding-ring. At the suggestion of her mistress the vendor of the cress was informed, but his wife's ring was found to be all right. The ring is in the girl's possession.

LOVERS FOUND DROWNED TOGETHER.

Henry Mullins, twenty-five, and Gladys Ludd, eighteen, went for a walk by the riverside at Ilfley on Thursday night, and did not return. The girl's hat was discovered in a pool, and dragging operations resulted in the bodies being found together in Ilfley Pool. On Saturday a verdict of Found Drowned was returned.

WORKHOUSE TO BE HIRED.

Owing to the overcrowding in their workhouse schools and the prevalence of scarlet fever, which necessitates the provision of isolation accommodation, the West Ham board of guardians have decided to temporarily hire the disused workhouse belonging to the Bethnal Green guardians in Well-street, Hackney.

WATERED THE MILK AND WEPT.

Detectives who were watching some milk churns at Bedminster Station, Bristol, saw Alfred Barnett, a dairymaid, drive up in his cart, go to a can, pour water into it, and then abstract a similar quantity of milk.

Summoned at Bristol Police Court on Saturday Barnett wept copiously in the dock, but his tears did not save him from a fine of £2.

PEERESS'S APPEAL FOR HELP.

The following advertisement appeared in the Agency column of a contemporary on Saturday:

A PEERESS, entirely without means, would be extremely grateful if some kind person would help her to educate her little boy, eight years old, who is the heir to the title; references—Address, G. K. & Co.

What a chance this offers to a wealthy tradesman or American millionaire of becoming the patron of an English peer!

SNAPSHOTTING THE BISHOP.

When presiding at the opening of the Limehouse Church Institute on Saturday the Bishop of London said he had just had an amusing instance of the smartness of the East End boy.

While he was inspecting the Church Lads' Brigade one of the boys in the ranks, keeping strictly to attention, had managed to snapshot him as he passed.

"This," said the Bishop, "I regard as an example of the enterprising spirit of the East End lad."

JURY COMPLIMENT A GALLANT BOY.

At an inquest on the body of William James, aged nine, of Deptford, the evidence showed that the child was floating pieces of wood in a pond at an old tar works in Yeoman-street, and that he overbalanced himself and fell in.

Theorupon a boy of thirteen, named William George Mott, in endeavouring to rescue him was himself pulled into the water. He could swim a little, and kept hold of deceased till the latter's struggles compelled him to let go.

A verdict of Accidental Death was returned, and the coroner, on the recommendation of the jury, complimented Mott on his gallant attempt at rescue.

GIFT OF £10,000.

Lord Burnham, who presided at the Newspaper Press Fund annual dinner on Saturday night, had the pleasure of announcing that a magnificent gift had been made to the fund.

Lady Campbell Clarke, widow of the late Sir Campbell Clarke, who was for many years connected with the "Daily Telegraph," and sister-in-law to Lord Burnham, had asked him to offer the fund £10,000 to provide twelve pensions, which were to be known as the Campbell Clarke pensions.

Lord Glenesk, in thanking her ladyship for this splendid donation, said the fund would, with this sum, have £50,000 invested and be able to provide forty-two pensions.

HAT-PIN BROKE IN HIS ARM.

George Tickner, of Wimbledon, made his appearance in the South-Western Police Court on Saturday with 2½ inches of hat-pin embedded in his arm, which was in a sling.

He said that while he was on an omnibus he had a quarrel with a young man, who was accompanied by Eather Dunbridge, the nineteen-year-old girl now charged with wounding. When they got down the young man assaulted him. In the course of the subsequent struggle he (Tickner) fell on top of his assailant, and then the girl jumped on to his back and stabbed him in the arm with her hat-pin, which broke, leaving 2½ in. of it in his arm. The hospital doctor said he was unable to extract it. The girl was remanded.

The late Mr. Frederick William Dowsett, otherwise Vernon Dowsett, manager of the Tivoli Music-hall, left estate valued at £416.

Under the new law of conscription in the Argentine Republic the sons of foreigners born in that country are obliged to serve a term in the Army or Navy.

Owing to the present heavy expenditure of the London County Council upon parks and open spaces, the matter of providing an open-air swimming bath on Tooting Common has been deferred until next year.

As the result of children playing with fire the filder stores of Mr. G. Allen, carman and contractor, of Lower Tooting, were ignited on Saturday evening and entirely destroyed. The fire extended to the premises of a fat merchant, and two buildings used as stables and stores were gutted.

Nearly two hundred cases of acute ophthalmia have occurred in the village of Staveley in Derbyshire. The rural authorities have notified that the disease must be medically dealt with, or lost eyesight may result.

MAYORESS IN GRAND OPERA.

The unusual sight of a Mayoreess appearing in grand opera was witnessed at Tyne Theatre, Newcastle, on Saturday afternoon. Assisted by Carl Rosa artists, the Mayoreess of Newcastle, Mrs. Anderson, gave a performance of "Faust" for local charities.

Before her marriage the mayoreess was Miss Lily Heenan, prima donna of the Carl Rosa Company, and daughter of a well-known local journalist. She was in splendid voice as Marguerite, and was recalled frequently.

FIRE ESCAPE AT A MOTOR FIRE.

While the chauffeur was filling the petrol tank of a motor-car at Dulwich the petrol burst into flames, and the whole back part of the car was destroyed. One of the passengers received burns on one arm and hand.

The appearance of a fire-escape was greeted with much laughter.

STEALS NOTHING BUT UMBRELLAS.

James Dillon, of Cardiff, is apparently over-anxious to lay by something for a rainy day. He has a mania for stealing umbrellas, and has six times been convicted under various aliases for this offence.

At Reading on Saturday he was charged with his seventh theft, it being alleged that he had taken three ladies' umbrellas from the Congregational Sunday School.

£2,700 FOR A SCOTCH PORTRAIT.

A portrait of Lady Margaret Moncrieff, of Kelvingrove, by Sir Henry Raeburn, was sold in Edinburgh on Saturday. The picture was first knocked down for 1,175 guineas to a Mr. Peacock.

Mr. Lawrie, of Glasgow and London, also claimed, and after some disputing the auctioneer put the picture up again, and amid intense excitement Mr. Lawrie secured it at 2,600 guineas.

LONDON WIGS SET PARIS FASHION.

The colour of Marie Antoinette's hair, as worn by Sarah Bernhardt in "Varennas," has become the fashionable tint of the season in Paris.

Well-dressed ladies are said to get as near it as the dye bottle will allow them, and the modiste has adopted it as the favourite colour in trimming for the high-crowned hats of "nineteen four."

It is interesting to note that this fashion has been set by a London wig-maker. Mr. Clarkson made Bernhardt's wigs for this play. There are three of them exactly like each other. One being worn, one travelling between Paris and London, and the other in Mr. Clarkson's hands to be re-curled.

"SPANISH SWINDLE" STILL LIVELY.

Despite the number of times the "Spanish swindle" has been exposed, it is still being exploited by gentlemen in Spain, who apparently still find it profitable.

News of the latest attempt comes in a letter from a Daily Mirror correspondent in Dunganang, Ireland. There a letter has been received from a gentleman in prison at Barcelona, who explains that he has been commissioned by a Mr. John Browne, who died on the ship coming from Buenos Ayres, to convey the fortune of £28,000 to Mr. Browne's wife and daughter, whom he had deserted in Ireland years before.

The writer explains that he is in prison for a political offence, and if the gentleman to whom he writes will find the Mrs. John Browne and her daughter, and convey the fortune to them, he can have £1,000 of it, under the dead man's will, for his own use. Replies are to be sent to Barcelona. No money is asked for in this letter; that, of course, follows later.

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DETECTIVES' DIFFICULTIES.

More Evidence of the Preliminary Proceedings in the Pollard Divorce Suit.

After a two days' consecutive hearing at Bow-street of the charges against Slater, Henry, the manager of the former's detective agency, Osborn, the solicitor; and the detectives Bray, Smith, and Davies, of conspiring to obstruct the course of justice in the Pollard divorce suit, the case was adjourned on Saturday until June 4.

In the course of his evidence on Saturday Cartwright stated that shortly after a man named Craig left the employment of Slater's detective agency in July last, rumours were received that the Treasury was about to take some action in the matter.

Cartwright mentioned this to Henry, the manager, who replied, "That's all right. If Osborn has been fool enough to go down to Plymouth and get women to make false statements, he must put up with the consequences."

Troublesome Witnesses.

Mrs. Goodman, the Plymouth girl whose name was connected with Pollard's in the divorce suit, proved extremely troublesome according to Cartwright's evidence. He produced a report from Bray, which described how they eventually induced her to come from Plymouth to London, "reaching Paddington with great difficulty."

Goodman was so noisy the first night she stayed at an hotel that Bray and a colleague, who occupied a room adjoining hers, could get no sleep. Explaining how he obtained possession of certain reports, Cartwright said that soon after Davies' return from Jersey, Henry went through the documents connected with the Pollard case. Cartwright picked up and put into his drawer some reports from Smith and Davies which were left lying on the table, Henry having said they ought not to have been put on the file. When Cartwright left Slater's he took these reports with him.

HOSPITAL HOSPITALITY.

Lights on a Patient's Remarkable Treatment at West London.

The case of Mr. William Titmus, a gentleman in a good position, who died from the effect of breaking his leg and whose death was hastened by the refusal of the West London Hospital authorities to admit him to that institution, has naturally called forth much comment.

The house-surgeon at the hospital stated to an interviewer on Saturday that the only reason for the refusal to admit Mr. Titmus was that the wards were all full.

The idea that the social position of the injured man made any difference was ridiculed.

"Rich and poor are served alike, and we should take in the King himself if the unfortunate necessity should arise."

At the inquest, however, the house-surgeon said "he did not think it right to allow Mr. Titmus to remain in the casualty ward," and spoke of his being "a burgher of Putney," a phrase which suggests that he thought the injured man could well afford to go home. And the coroner said he imagined a bed could have been made up if the serious nature of the patient's injuries had been recognised.

It was his removal from Hammersmith to Putney that brought about his rapid death.

A well-known surgeon, who has held many important hospital appointments, sent yesterday by a *Mirror* representative, said that a great hospital always ought to have, and put into his drawer some reports from Smith and Davies which were left lying on the table, Henry having said they ought not to have been put on the file. When Cartwright left Slater's he took these reports with him.

"I do not," he continued, "know how the West London Hospital is managed in this respect, though I believe it to be thoroughly up-to-date and efficient establishment. But at St. George's we should certainly never have sent a man away whose recovery might be jeopardised by a journey."

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WEDDED HIS DEAD WIFE'S SISTER.

When William George Nash, fifty-nine, a plumber, was charged at Southwark with neglecting to maintain his wife, Mr. Boddington, representing the Bernadette Guardians, said that since his arrest Nash had raised the defence, that the woman was not legally married to him, as far as his experience went, arrangements for keeping emergency cases when it was dangerous to send them home.

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FROM HYMN BOOK TO MUSIC-HALL.

Two "Stars" of the Variety Stage at Strife Over the Chorus of "Oh, Charlie, Come To Me."

"Does it come from Homer, or some distant poet?" asked Mr. Justice Darling. (Protegee's laughter.)

The "it" to which he learned the answer referred to the following refined, eloquent stanza—

Oh, Charlie, come to me,
You promised to be sweet!
I have not something
Oh, so nice for you.

Over the possession and authorship of these exquisite lines stern legal strife was waged on



MISS GRACIE GRAHAME, a music-hall singer, sought an injunction on Saturday to restrain another music-hall performer, Miss Katie Lawrence, from singing a song which she alleged was an infringement on her rights.—(Sketched in court by a "Mirror" artist.)

Saturday afternoon in Mr. Justice Darling's Court between two ladies who are music-hall stars. Miss Gracie Grahame was asking for an "injunction" to prevent Miss Katie Lawrence, who is known as Mrs. Fuller in private life, from singing the chorus quoted above, which Mr. Justice Darling was informed did not come from Homer.

The Court was told by Miss Gracie Grahame herself, dressed in flowing black draperies, how the

lines came to be written. Taking her stand in the witness box, she blushing confessed that she was a poetess.

Some time ago she produced and sang, she said, a very successful song, entitled "Billy." The idea was that she was "Billy's" wife, and that she lost sight of him on the very day she married him. Then, from her position on the stage, as she sang the song, she suddenly espied "Billy" among the audience, and claimed him. Thereupon "Billy" threw his hat on to the stage, and left his seat to join her amidst thunderous applause. But after a time "Billy" became a little stale, and, in order to put some freshness into him, she called him "Charlie," and was his sweetheart instead of his wife. Moreover, she invented a new song with the same old idea.

Not Homer, But Miss Gracie Grahame.

This song, like the former one, was almost entirely her own invention. She was responsible for scoring the melody, suggested ideas for the verses, and, above all, wrote every word of the immortal chorus. It was herself, not Homer, who was entitled to claim the glory of it.

It was, therefore, very expediting when she discovered a few days ago that the "Oh, Charlie" chorus was the mainstay of a song being sung at the Croydon Theatre of Varieties by another lady—Miss Lawrence, to wit.

That was why the action for an injunction was brought.

When Mr. Justice Darling asked his question about Homer, Mr. Abel Thomas, K.C., counsel for Miss Lawrence, instead of corroborating Miss Gracie Grahame in her claim to the authorship suggested that the poet was a Mr. Lamb.

Mr. Justice Darling: "Not Charles Lamb? I am sure he could not have written either of the songs."

With regard to Mr. Lamb, who was thus put up as a rival claimant to her honours, Miss Grahame had something to say during her evidence. It was she, she said, who gave the ideas to Miss Lawrence. She (Miss Grahame) had sung the chorus to Mr. Lamb in the course of asking him to write some accompanying verses, and Mr. Lamb, who engaged to write the verses but did not do so, passed on the chorus and melody to the other lady.

Failed at the Hat Trick.

Moreover, Miss Grahame added, Mr. Lamb had once been engaged by her to take the part of "Billy," but, having failed to throw the hat down properly, was refused leave by her to ride with her in her brougham.

Mr. Abel Thomas (cross-examining): Are you aware that the first three bars of the song are taken from a very old hymn?

Miss Grahame: I know that. The hymn was called "Come to Glory," or something like that. To have come to Mr. Lamb would have had to have come out of the Ark. (Tivoli laughter.)

Mr. Justice Darling: It puzzles me why people go to music-halls instead of going to church. (King's Bench Court IV. laughter.)

Just when everybody was expecting Miss Grahame to be asked to sing "Oh, Charlie" or Miss Moore the other day before the same Judge asked to repeat her part from "The Light that Failed"—the Court adjourned until to-morrow.

PAGEBOY'S CONFESSION.

Robbery at the House of a Relative of Ex-President Kruger.

Mrs. Marie Frances Williams, a widow, living in Harley-street, appeared at Marylebone Police Court on Saturday to prosecute a former pageboy of hers named Harry Levy, aged seventeen, who was charged with stealing a number of rings, bracelets, and other articles of jewellery and a gentleman's gold hunter watch—of the total value of £500.

Mrs. Williams, who is understood to be a relative of ex-presidents Kruger and Steyn, said that only one ring and her jewel-case had been recovered. The watch had belonged to her husband, who gave £70 for it at Port Elizabeth.

Levy was arrested at Barnsey by Detective-sergeant Draper, to whom, during the journey to London, he said he had been "done over," and only got £5 for himself. Three days after he left the situation he returned to Harley-street, accompanied by another man, and, going down the area, concealed himself until 7.30 in the evening.

Thinking Mrs. Williams would be dining at that hour, Levy added, he left his hiding-place, and went to her bedroom, took all the jewellery he could find, and left the house by the front door.

Subsequently he could not find his companion, and afterwards was taken to the shop of a White-chapel watchmaker named Caplan, where he received £25 for the watch.

Caplan has also been arrested on a charge of receiving the watch, and was remanded together with Levy.

JUDGE AND SOLICITOR.

Mr. Justice Jeff decided at Liverpool on Saturday that Sir John Willes, M.P., the Hon. Arthur Stanley, M.P., and the three other directors of the South Lancashire Electric Traction and Power Company, who were sued for damages for alleged misrepresentation, had acted legally, and entered a verdict for them with costs.

The conduct of Mr. Earle, solicitor for the plaintiffs in the case, in having allowed charges of fraud against the defendants to remain in the pleadings until the last moment when the case was about to be heard, and then withdrawing them without any apology was severely criticised by the Judge. "I have never before heard the question of fraud," his Lordship said, "treated with that kind of cynical indifference."

During the present week it is hoped to open the electric tramway routes from Stratford to the Albert Docks, and from Upton Park to Barking-road. There is also a probability that the lines from Fenchurch Gate to Canning Town will be ready for the Whitsuntide holiday traffic.

MR. SIEVIER'S CASE.

Question as to the Admissibility of Detective's Evidence.

Mr. Atherton Jones, M.P., intends to ask the Home Secretary whether his attention has been called to the fact that in the recent case of Sievier v. Duke, a detective stated in evidence that one of the litigants was, in his opinion, a person of evil reputation; by whose authority he gave evidence, whether he received a witness's fee.

The Home Secretary is further to be asked if he has sanctioned the practice of a police officer giving evidence as to the character of one litigant on behalf of another litigant, and if not, whether he will ensure those responsible for permitting the officer to give such evidence.

THOUGHT THE PICTURE SPOKE.

"He asked me if I could not hear the pictures talking, and said people were never tired of speaking about him."

So spoke a married sister of Edward Francis Mead, thirty-eight, a house painter, whose death formed the subject of an inquest at Leyton on Saturday. Mead, who cut his throat in front of a looking-glass and died within a few minutes, had been strange in his manner for some time.

The jury returned a verdict of Suicide while temporarily insane.

DOCTOR'S FEES UNDER SUSPICION.

On a charge of defrauding the Wandsworth Guardians in his capacity of public vaccinator, Dr. Hugh Stanley Revell was committed for trial at the South Western Police Court on Saturday. The prosecution suggested that he represented in his official returns having vaccinated children, some of whom were alleged to be non-existent, while others were operated upon by another doctor, who occupied a similar position in another part of the borough. For these supposed vaccinations the doctor is alleged to have charged his fees and retained the money.

The magistrate allowed bail in £200.

PANDERING TO DEBASED TASTES.

Ordering Morris Sugarmann, of Leman-street, Whitechapel, to pay a fine of £5 and 42 sh. costs for exposing objectionable picture postcards for sale, the Thames magistrate remarked that he failed to understand why such cards should be sold. There was no beauty in them, and they only pandered to a debased taste.

Although it was a common practice for such cards to be sold, it was no reason why they should be tolerated in England.

A SOCIAL PARASITE.

Husband's Base Conduct Scathingly Condemned by the Magistrate.

With the remark that the prisoner was not worthy the name of a man, Mr. Fordham, the North London magistrate, on Saturday sentenced Francis Clavering Losack, a mantle maker, to three months' hard labour for deserting his wife and five children.

Losack's wife, according to the prosecution, had a mantle business, which she kept going with assistance she received from her husband, and, however, did no other work. About six months ago he eloped with a married woman, and since then had never inquired about his wife and family nor done anything towards their maintenance.

These facts were not disputed by Losack, but he said the woman he took away was now back with her husband.

Sergeant Popham, the chief warrant officer, said that he went to the house where the woman with whom Losack had eloped lived. He found Losack living there also, and arrested him.

Husband's Helplessness.

The woman in the presence of her husband kissed Losack, and begged him to return to her after his sentence had expired. She also followed him to the police station. The husband saw his wife's display of affection, and said that he had no control over her.

Mr. Fordham said the case was a very bad one, and the prisoner was apparently absolutely destitute of moral character. In the first place he had lived on his wife's earnings, and then, seeing someone who he fancied he liked better, he had taken her away, despite the fact that she was a married woman.

The magistrate then passed sentence, three months being the full term for the offence.

MANAGER OR CLERK?

Penny Omnibus Case Said to Involve Thousands of Pounds.

In his capacity of managing director of the London Penny Omnibus Association, Arthur Bartlett, of West Ealing, was charged at Westminster on Saturday with conspiring with others not in custody to obtain money by false pretences. Bartlett asserts that though he bore the title of manager he was, as a matter of fact, simply a clerk.

Detective-inspector Fuller stated that thousands of pounds were involved. Bartlett might not have taken the most active part in the matter, but he was called the managing director.

In October, 1901, the association's stock was seized by the sheriff, and sold in response to a receiving order in bankruptcy. When it was evident, the inspector added, that the association was in great financial straits, subscriptions were obtained from the public, to whom illustrated advertisements and glowing prospectuses were sent.

Bartlett was remanded on bail.

THE CITY.

On the whole the stock markets behaved very well on Saturday, and the investment section, though subjected to profit-taking on the sale of the new gilt, gave away very little. Consols are rather lower for the day, and most of the recent new issues were dull, but features have been the financial markets. The new Japanese loan was dull at first at 2 1/16 premium, and the new Johannesburg loan at 2 1/16 premium, the latter rising on the early closing of the day. Paris having opened at a large loss, recovery was inclined to cover in Russians, though they gave way later in consideration of the Port Arthur news.

The Kaifu market, located at first, but even here there was improvement later in the day. This was due to Paris buying shares, and an all-round recovery was the result.

In other mining sections there was a good deal of irregularity and not much business. Copper shares were better, though the trade advisers were not very reassured.

Some attempt was made to put Home Rails lower, but it did not last, and several of the speculative stocks recovered.

Americans were not satisfactory, there being little disposition to do any business. The new gold were appearances of "bear" closing in Grand Trunk. Foreign Rails were all higher.

Brewery and Distillery stocks were again the feature of the Miscellaneous section, and this was due to the legislation prospects.

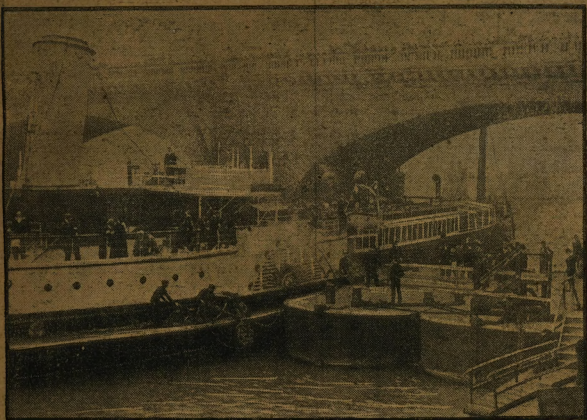
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SATURDAY'S START OF THE LONDON AND MARGATE STEAMERS.



The start of the Lower Thames steamboat service on Saturday. The first boat leaving Fresh Wharf, at London Bridge, for Margate and Southend.—(Special "Mirror" photograph.)

THE LONDON ATHLETIC CLUB'S SPORTS



The start for the three miles walking challenge cup at the London Athletic Club's second spring meeting at Stamford Bridge grounds on Saturday. The winner, F. B. Thompson, came in 100 yards ahead. R. M. Watson and P. J. Bellingham were second and third.



Little Miss Kathleen Butler, aged four, who refused to curtsy to the Queen at the Albert Hall because she was not wearing a crown.—(Photograph by Skillman.)



The Herts Imperial Yeomanry have pitched their annual training camp in Berkhamsted Park. Lieutenant-Colonel the Earl of Essex is in command.—(Photograph by J. T. Newman.)



Mr. Albert Chevalier begins his recitals to-day in the St. James's (Small) Hall.



How the modern diver communicates with the upper air. The submarine telephone in use in the British Navy.—(Photograph by Cribb, Southsea.)



Mr. A. H. Moore, the only survivor of Sir M. M. Stanley's expedition up the Congo in 1879.—(Photograph by T. R. Prewett.)

YESTERDAY WAS CHESTNUT SUNDAY.



The famous Chestnut Avenue at Bushey Park was in full blossom yesterday, when crowds of Londoners paid their customary visit.—(Special "Mirror" photograph.)



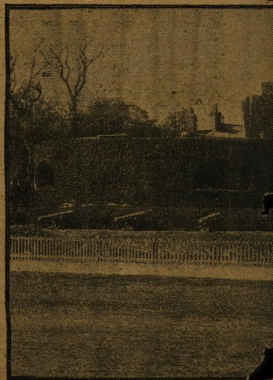
Mlle. Yvette Guilbert, the famous French singer, who is giving a special recital of old French songs at the Bechstein Hall to-day.—(Photograph by Ellis and Walery.)

LADY CURZON, WIFE OF



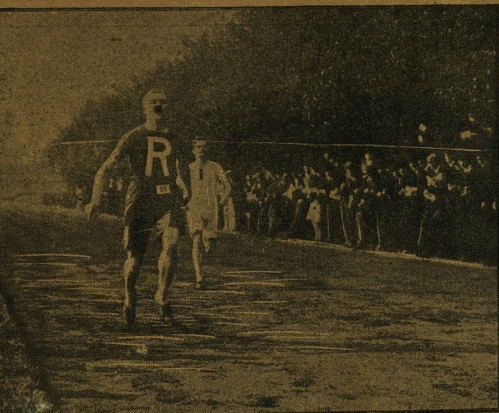
Lady Curzon, the accomplished American. She was at Walmer Castle, Deal.

LORD CURZON'S



Walmer Castle, near Deal, the official residence of Lord Curzon.

RD BRIDGE ON SATURDAY.



one mile relay race between the L.A.C. and the Rest of England. Rest, wins from C. D. Comrie, L.A.C. Eight men ran for each side, and touching the next representative of his side who was awaiting him.

OPENING OF THE WORLD'S FAIR.



President Francis, of the Exposition at St. Louis, sending a telegraphic message to President Roosevelt in reply to the message declaring the exhibition open.—(Photograph by G. G. Bain, New York.)

TURNING INDIAN VICEROY.



iceroy of India and Warden of the Cinque to meet her husband on his arrival from

ENGLISH RESIDENCE.



f. Lord Curzon as Warden of the Cinque

THE LADIES' OPEN GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP.



Miss Hazlet, who contested the final round of the Ladies' Golf Championship with Miss Dod, made a plucky fight, but was beaten at the last hole.



Papworth Hall, near Derby, Mr. E. T. Hooley's country home, where he indulges his taste for farming.



Miss Dod, the winner of the Ladies' Open Golf Championship, played at Troon. Miss Dod is a former lawn tennis champion, but has never got further than the semi-final in the golf championship before.

THE NAMELESS PICTURE.



Who is this? Ask your friends, they are sure to know. A guinea prize for the correct solution. See page 9.—(Photograph by Fellowes-Wilson.)



The Passmore Edwards Camberwell Polytechnic, the new art school extension of which is to be opened to-day by Sir William Collins, chairman of the London Education Committee.—(Special "Mirror" photograph.)

ARE MEN OR WOMEN MOST EASILY FLATTERED?

LOVE THE MASQUERADER

A CRAVING FOR APPROBATION ENDS IN MATRIMONY.

Flattery, through all the ages of the world, has been supposed to be the bait by which a woman can be caught; but nobody has taken the trouble to tell us much about the matter in connection with men.

If they had, we should have discovered that whether women are open to flattery or not, their weakness in this respect is not capable of being named in the same day with that of men. Flattery is the one lure a man can never resist, and the amount of it he is prepared to swallow is only marvellous when one remembers how severe he is on this capacity on the part of a woman.

A woman's most vulnerable side to flattery is generally her looks. Sometimes, however, she can be flattered through her higher qualities—her skill in womanly vocations, or her fascinating feminine attributes.

Naturally She Wants Affection.

Most of all, she can be flattered through her affections, for they are the strongest part of her nature. The great want of her being is love, and she would rather have that from all the world than any tribute to her excellence.

When she thinks people like her it is the sweetest flattery she can possibly have, and what people call vanity in her is mostly the desire to please and to win affection.

A man is not flattered half so easily through this point, though he likes to be liked too. But still more does he love to be admired, for any reason whatever so that the admiration be there. He is not always particular about being thought handsome; looks do not mean to him what they mean to the woman. But he adores strength, and he wants to be thought strong, both physically and

Flattery has the effect of making one feel favourably inclined towards the person who flatters, and to have a high opinion of his common-sense.

But to consciously flatter is base, because it is an appeal to the lower nature. You can never trust a professional flatterer, for he must needs be false. All the same, there is a vast amount of unconscious flattery going about, which is both innocent and exceedingly pleasant.

Cynics say that love is only a matter of enlarged flattery; that a woman is flattered by being wooed, and a man wants to be accepted merely as a sop to

HOUSEWIFE'S BUREAU.

The first prize of 10s. is awarded to Miss F. A. Byng, 91, Prince of Wales's-mansions, Battersea Park, S.W., for many recipes, including one for je' mange that have already been printed, and repeated below.

The second prize of 5s. goes to Mrs. J. S. Couchman, the End House, Cliffe-road, Strood, for her two-course dinner for five persons, at a cost of 14d. per head, which will be found printed below.



A LOVELY EVENING TOILETTE.

A gown of delicate chestnut-coloured tulle is illustrated here, flounced upon the corsage and skirt with yellow Mechlin lace overlaid with ropes of pink chiffon and here and there touched with a jewelled boss showing pink, green, and garnet shades. Huge cabbage roses are worn on the shoulders and to centre the décolletage.

[Specially drawn for the "Mirror" by Miss HOARE.]



A white silk dressing-jacket made in the form of a bolero, above a narrow flounce of lace and a deep one of pleated pin-spotted net. The silk is embroidered with spring-green and pink devices.

the name and address of the contributor should appear at the top of each sheet of paper.

TO MAKE 'JE' MAIGRE.

(Miss F. A. Byng, 91, Prince of Wales's-mansions, Battersea Park.)

Dissolve one ounce of singlass in a large half-pint of water and strain it; then add the juice and rind of two lemons, the same quantity of any white wine as of water, a tablespoonful of brandy, the yolk of one egg, with sugar to taste. Put it over the fire for ten minutes, stir it as you would custard, strain it, stir it till nearly cold; then put it into moulds, which must have been rubbed with salt and rinsed in water.

TWO-COURSE DINNER FOR FIVE PERSONS AT A COST OF 14d. PER HEAD.

(Mrs. J. S. Couchman, The End House, Cliffe-road, Strood.)

Lemon Stew.—Take half a pound of the breast of mutton cut in small pieces, one carrot, one onion, one turnip sliced thin, and put these into a saucepan with three pints of water. Boil for an hour, then add half a gallon of potatoes, and boil it for another hour, adding salt and pepper to taste.

Rice Pudding.—Take half a pound of rice, put into cold water and boil it for two hours, adding sugar and milk to it.

Cost of Irish Stew.—Half a pound of New Zealand mutton, 14d.; half a gallon of potatoes, 2d.; one onion, one carrot, one turnip, 1d.; half a loaf of bread, 14d.—Total 51d.

Cost of Rice Pudding.—Half a pound of rice, 4d.; half a pound of sugar, 1d.; milk, 1d.—Total 24d.

YORKSHIRE PUDDING.

(Mrs. Kirby, Bulworth, Selby, Yorkshire.)
Take five tablespoonfuls of stout; break two eggs into it and mix it into a batter with half a pint of new milk. Pour it into hot greased tin and put it into a hot oven for ten minutes. Sufficient for five persons. Cost, 3d.

MUTTED ALE.

Put a glass of ale into a saucepan on the fire; take two dessertspoonfuls of castor sugar, and enough ginger to cover a threepenny bit, also one egg. Mix all together with a little cold ale; then pour over it your nearly boiling ale. Pop it on to the fire again for two minutes and drink it.

TO EXTERMINATE HOUSE BEETLES.

Cut two or three fresh shalots leaves and throw them on the floor where the black beetles go, changing the old leaves for fresh ones every third day. In a fortnight the house will be clear.

OUR SERIAL.

Stage-Struck.

By SIDNEY WARWICK.

CHAPTER XXXV. A Temporary Check.

A little cry broke involuntarily from Janet's lips as she stood staring down the road.

The figure coming towards them was that of the man who, she had been telling herself, recognised the policy of adhering to his side of the bargain between them; the man from whom she had no longer anything to fear for her child.

His unexpected intrusion here came like a concrete answer to those hopes. He could not have come here by accident; he must deliberately have set himself to find out where Elsie was. There was menace in his presence.

Gray watched the man as he came closer. He had not seen Daventry since his conviction, nearly four years ago. Instinctively his jaw squared; as he saw the confident smile in the man's face he found himself clenching his fists. But he knew that for Janet's sake he must keep himself in check. Herbert Daventry came up to them; perhaps under his air of assurance there was an underlying uneasiness. When he came down to Overton that day with a very definite end in view he had not expected to find Gray there.

How are you, Janet? You hardly expected to see me, eh? How are you, Gray?

Gray nodded almost imperceptibly and looked in another direction, ignoring the outstretched hand.

"They told me at the farm you had come this way," he went on; his smile was a trifle forced; Gray's presence and curt greeting disconcerted him. He could not forget the circumstances when he had faced Gray's eyes last. There was a hard look on Janet's face.

"Why have you come at all?" she asked.

"Really, you are not very cordial. I wanted to see you on a little matter of importance—"

"Since you must have known that I should be

going back to London to-day, why did you not wait until my return?"

"Well, the fact is I haven't seen little Elsie for so long; I thought I would kill two birds with one stone and make a trip down here. I was always fond of the country. And this place is so charming, so idyllic, I think I shall extend my acquaintance with it, and stay a few weeks."

There was a veiled threat in the words. Janet understood that. He knew her dread of his influence over Elsie; he was trading on that.

"You will return to town this afternoon with me," she said decisively. "I know of no business matter of yours that can possibly concern me, but anything you have to say can be said in the train."

"Really, Janet," he laughed with a jaunty air, "while I remain in the need for your return to-day your anxiety not to disappoint your audience; no such pressing necessity is upon me. If I drive with you to the station we can discuss the little matter on our way. I have no doubt the good lady whom I saw at the farm will be able to put me up—I shall enjoy a few weeks at a farmhouse and under the same roof as Elsie."

Janet answered quietly—she did not wish to make a scene before Gray:

"You will not be able to obtain a room at the farm. It is not a lodging-house. Mrs. Benjfield only lets rooms to oblige her friends. You know best whether it is to your interest to disregard my wishes. In any case, if you do not return with me, I take Elsie back to London."

Daventry heard the ring of determination in her voice. He turned to Gray and said with a smile:

"A lady's wishes should be law, eh, Mr. Gray?"

Very well, my dear, I'll escort you back to town."

Inwardly Gray's feelings were at white heat. Like Janet he recognised that under the man's smiling manner was the hint of a threat; he saw that, for all her outward calmness, Janet's nerves were quivering on the rack. His fingers itched to take the man by the scruff of the neck and fling him into the river—this man who had so injured the woman he loved.

"Mr. Gray, you were kind enough to offer to drive me to the station. We ought to be starting soon, I think. Shall we start now?" she said.

They walked back to the farm, Daventry occasionally trying to make conversation, though he found the silence of his companions discouraging. He swung jauntily along by their side.

Elsie was playing in front of the farmhouse with the puppy. She came running forward with her little treble laugh as she saw mummy and Uncle Jack; then stopped at the sight of the stran-

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Beginning at the left-hand side of the top of this picture the sleeves show, first, the great tendency to large puffs above the elbow and a mousseline effect below it; then on the right, a model that is gauged into the yoke and finished beneath the cuff with pleated tawn ruffles. Immediately beneath are a muslin sleeve trimmed with closely-gathered ruchings of Valenciennes lace and a voile model buttoned on to rows of mousseline frills. A very pretty cuff is displayed upon the last sleeve, made of lace separated by a band of fabric.

mentally, and he loves to be considered wiser than his fellows, and shrewder, and more up in the ways of the world.

A man is always flattered if his advice is asked; if he is allowed to give the casting vote to a decision; if his opinion is listened to in the open way upon. He is very simple-minded in the open way in which he shows his hunger for flattery and the pleasure he exhibits at having it bestowed. He will come back again and again for another dose, and only seem to want more the more he gets.

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MODERN "PROPHET."

Dowie, the New Elijah, Disappears in London.

STAYING IN SWITZERLAND.

There was disappointment among a crowd which awaited the arrival of the P. and O. liner Mongolian on Saturday. It was expected that Dr. Dowie, who calls himself Elijah the Second, was on board, but the prophet had disembarked at Marseilles.

Dr. Dowie, who has practised on the credulity of Americans so successfully that he has been able to found a new city—called Zion—did not meet with much encouragement in London during his last visit. But in Australia, where he was known years ago, and where his pretensions are accurately appreciated, his whole campaign proved a disastrous and expensive failure.

At Sydney he was mobbed, and found it impossible to hold meetings, so he was compelled to make a hurried departure on the Mongolian.

Together with his wife and son and a suite of eight persons, he voyaged by special saloon, as is the custom of modern Elijahs. An attempt to hold services on board did not find favour with the captain, so Dowie's proselytizing was confined to a distribution of pamphlets among the passengers.

Dowie is now at Zurich, and has announced his intention of opening a series of meetings in London on New Year's Day.

De Rougemont's Acquaintance.

M. de Rougemont, the turtle rider, writes us that some years ago now, on one of his many wandering expeditions in the Australian bush, he met Alexander Dowie, who was then stumping the country as a later-day John the Baptist.

It was during a locust storm, and in the midst of it Dowie spoke of his projects, saying he had a great mission to regenerate man.

Some years later De Rougemont met the prophet again at this time in Sydney.

He was shortly about to leave a Pacific port for the United States. What a change. Well nigh a miracle! No longer the budding, semi-dejected reformer, but a missionary autocrat, surrounded by a retinue of uniformed, well-drilled followers. I could scarce believe my eyes or credit my senses. Dowie, the stump-orator, was now Dowie the millionaire!—Dowie, the owner and ruler of a city of 40,000 inhabitants!—a city in which his old enemies, the police, the Press, and the publicans had neither a "habitation or a name."

"I sent in my card, but Dowie the successful was evidently indisposed to genial recognition of old friends; was, indeed, independent of my, or, for that matter, any man's help, and gave me time for only a brief word."

NAMELESS PICTURE PUZZLE.

To-day's nameless picture will be found on page 7. It represents a well-known lady. The reader who is first to correctly identify her will receive the prize of one guinea. Replies by letter or post-card should be addressed to the Picture Puzzle Department, 2, Carmelite-street, London, E.C., and must reach this office by noon to-morrow. The winner will be announced in the *Mirror* on Wednesday.

The prize for identifying the "Who is it?" picture in Friday's issue, which was a portrait of Viscountess Hayashi, the wife of the Japanese Minister who has appeared in almost every illustrated newspaper in the British Isles since the commencement of the war, has been awarded to Miss Muriel Potter, Red Hill Lodge, Nottingham.

The guinea prize for Saturday's nameless picture will be announced to-morrow.

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ger with them. Davenport made a quick step forward as if to lift the child in his arms.

"Well, Elsie, come and kiss your mother."

But the sentence was never finished.

"Not that word, if you are wise!" Janet cried fiercely; her eyes were suddenly ablaze. "Not that word, if you wish me to remember my bargain!"

Janet had snatched the child up swiftly in her arms as she spoke; she carried Elsie into the house. She felt she could not bear that this man should call himself by the name of father to her child. Davenport shrugged his shoulders and turned to Gray with a laugh; but Gray was not responsive. He turned on his heel and walked away.

"Why did you come down to Overton? How did you know where to find me?" she demanded, when at last the train had started and husband and wife sat facing each other in the carriage.

"Oh, your maid told me," he smiled.

He was rather proud of his strategy. He had called at her flat that morning, and the maid had informed him that her mistress was out of town. Instantly he realised that here might be an opportunity of discovering where she had been, and that, unless Janet had gone down to see the child. Probably, if he gave his name, the maid would be under orders to tell him nothing, but she had not seen him, so he said quickly:—

"How very unfortunate. I came with an urgent message from the theatre. You Mr. Brougham, I shall have to wire to her at once. Will you be good enough to give me your mistress's address."

This the maid unsuspiciously had done.

"I came down because I wanted to see Elsie," he said. "Look here, Janet, it's no use taking the high and mighty with you. You hid the kid away, and I've come to the conclusion it isn't good enough. You've had Elsie to yourself for three years. It's time my rights came more into evidence."

"Your rights? You've given up your rights," she cried. "I bought the child from you. She's mine, mine only, and I'll keep her as such."

"You've bought her, you say? The terms were to be half your salary. Why am I still only getting three and a half guineas a week when your salary must be more than double what it was?"

He paused; but she did not trouble to contradict him. He was lying, of course, he always had.

Look here, Janet, you haven't treated me fairly—not to use too harsh a term, you've treated

AMERICAN BEAUTY SHOW.

Pretty Faces in "The Prince of Pilsen."

"Sweet and twenty" hardly describes the girls who have come over from America with "The Prince of Pilsen" to the Shaftesbury Theatre. They are sweet, and they are forty-three—in number—according to the programme.

This represents, it may be said, a larger storming party than that which captured London with "The Belle of New York." The piece itself is not nearly so good as "The Belle"—it is neither as clever nor even in the faintest degree pathetic (which was, after all, a great point with "The Belle of New York"), nor can it be described as fresh to the English palate.

The greater part of the evening is devoted to the humorous of an undoubtedly ripe comedian, Mr. John W. Ransome, who can be succinctly described as combining the German-American dialect of Mr. Sullivan (the "polite lunatic" of "The Belle of New York") with the form and features of the late Mr. Harry Monkhouse. Mr. Ransome represents a Cincinnati brewer, travelling abroad, who is mistaken for the Prince of Pilsen in an hotel at Nice.

An Intelligent Songstress.

To us the character is still, happily, quite unreal. None the less, we have had it already several times on the Shaftesbury stage in "The Belle of New York" and its successors, and it must be confessed the repetition of it is rather wearying in "The Prince of Pilsen."

On the other hand there is a very intelligent songstress—Miss Tricie Fraganza—who sings a capital song about the various American cities with great point and self-possession, and there is some excellent dancing by Mr. Sherman Wade as a waiter, and by Miss Lily Collins as a French maid, with peculiarly dainty—shall we say ankles? As a matter of fact, she looks curiously like a reproduction on the stage of the children in Miss Cowham's pictures.

One may add that the piece, which certainly does possess a wealth of lively choruses, seemed to be quite acceptable to the audience during its progress, though for some reason or other no "calls" were taken at the finish.

HISTORIC BOWLS.

Used by Drake on Plymouth Hoe on View at the Palace.

Dr. W. G. Grace has a unique collection of cricket bats at the Sports Exhibition at the Crystal Palace, which includes the queer shaped bats in use as far back as 1770.

Among other curios is the bat used by King Edward, when, as Prince of Wales, he played for the Prince's Club; a collection of skates, dating from the time when bone blades were used in the place of steel; and the Robinson Crusoe's gun which was used by Alexander Selkirk, the companion of the famous Dampier, who was the original of Defoe's hero.

One of the oldest historic exhibits is the original set of bowls with which Admiral Drake was playing on Plymouth Hoe when he received the news of the arrival of the Armada in British waters.

An interesting golf exhibit is a cup which James II. is said to have given to his fore-caddie Dixon. Athletic competitions will start on May 30, and continue almost daily until the close of the exhibition on August 31.

Competitors from most of the European nations, America, New Zealand, and Argentina will be represented at the World's Cycling Championship meeting.

me uncommonly badly; you haven't shown common gratitude. You owe your success on the stage to me—but for me you would never have gone on the stage. I encouraged you, predicted your success, when everyone else was dead set against it. I look for common gratitude, and what do I get?"

"What do I get?"

She looked across the carriage at him. It was almost dark outside the window. The lamp overhead gave a yellow glare.

"Do you remember the last occasion that you and I travelled in a train together?" she said suddenly.

"Why, what—what do you mean?" he said rather stammering, taken aback by her question. He remembered only too well that return from their honeymoon; was that what she meant?

"I think you must have forgotten that little episode when you talk me of ingratitude."

"What has that to do with it?" he asked, a sullen look crossing his face.

"Before you speak again of gratitude as your due, think how much money you have given me to be grateful to you. Remember that episode at Grosvenor Station," she said pitilessly, never taking her eyes off him, "how, within three weeks of our marriage, my name was tainted by your shame—the shame you knew might fall at any moment, when you set yourself to trap—yes, trap—me into marriage! Ought I to be grateful for that? Ought I to have been grateful to find myself chained to a man lost to every shred of honesty or honour? Answer me that!"

He winced, but he retorted doggedly:—

"That's neither here nor there; you won't deny that I've left you alone, you and the child, for a couple of years. I've remained in the background, whilst you've been scooping in a reputation and dollars—"

"You were paid to leave me and my child alone," she interjected scornfully.

"And so I ought to be paid! And I've got to be paid handsomely, too, now—or I shall assert my rights over the child!" he cried.

Janet did not answer. She sat staring out of the window. Her silence encouraged him.

"We've got to strike a new bargain—this is I'm going to start a dramatic school, and I want to use your name. I want to advertise you as having been a pupil of mine. Come, you see, I'm not asking so much; that and a sum of money down to start the scheme, and then I'll be content with the three and a half guineas weekly," he said, as if he were making a very generous offer. She did not speak.

"Oh my prospects! I propose to state that 'Miss Janet Desborough, of Mr. Brougham's London Company'—but, no, better

still, you shall write a letter, a testimonial that I can publish—"

Still she did not speak. She sat staring out into the darkness. Lights were flashing by. London was very near.

"Well, why don't you speak?" he demanded impatiently.

"Is there any need for me to say anything?"

"You mean, you accept?" he cried eagerly.

For a moment he thought he had frightened her into compliance.

"I am a woman of my word," she said slowly. "I once told you that if you broke the terms of the bargain I would cease absolutely to pay you anything. I have made you an allowance that is generous—for I owed you nothing. It rests with you to decide if the sums of money I have been paying you shall cease altogether. My patience is almost exhausted. Trouble me any further, and in the future you will get nothing from me, do you understand—nothing!" she spoke quite quietly.

"In that case, I suppose you would have to work, instead of living shamelessly on your wife. You must make up your mind at once—"

He seized her wrist, and looked vindictively into her face, as he cried:—

"My God, if you think—"

She snatched her hand from his grasp with a gesture of passionate loathing; the scorn and resolution in her blazing eyes, no less than her intense words, cowed him.

"Speak another word, and I shall write to-night to my solicitors bidding them discontinue the payments to you henceforth. When I have once written such a letter, nothing will make me alter my decision!"

The threat was effectual. He realised that he was beaten for the present, and for the moment he accepted his defeat. He did not speak again.

The train reached the terminus. Janet stepped out to the platform, ignoring him; a porter called a cab for her, and without a further look at Davenport she was driven off to the theatre, to be applauded, admired, envied.

Her husband, in a very savage frame of mind, walked to the public-house at the corner of York-road, to smoke over his rebuff.

He thought that her threat had frightened him at any rate for the present, but as she left the theatre that night she saw him again. He was standing outside the stage-door, talking noisily and in thick accents to a group of idle loafers on the pavement.

She heard him saying:—

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starve in the gutter for all she cares—" in a tone of maudlin self-pity.

As Janet walked across the pavement he saw her and lurched forward. She would have known by his flushed face and unsteady walk, even if his voice had not already told her, that her husband was not sober.

"Come, aren't you going to speak to your husband—your husband, who made you what you are?" he cried indistinctly, swaying as he spoke.

The little knot of bystanders gaped; one or two sniggered. The average London loafer enjoys hugely the sight of a drunken man; if he is annoying someone, all the more so.

Janet walked on, without a glance at the degraded wretch by her side, though she felt her cheeks burning with shame. She did not speak.

"Nice state of things when a wife rolls in luxury, and the husband who made her—made her, I say"—and he glared round defiantly—"starves—"

A little distance away Janet saw a policeman coming slowly towards them. She went up to him.

"Constable, this man persists in annoying me," she said very calmly and distinctly. "This is not the first time he has annoyed me."

The policeman put a rough hand on Davenport's shoulder; the shock sobered the man at once. The law had terrors for him. His jaw dropped. He could not find his voice.

"Do you give him in charge, ma'am?" said the constable in a matter-of-fact way. He recognised Janet.

Janet looked at Davenport in silence for a moment; he had gone white and trembling.

"I certainly think it would teach him a lesson he deserves," she said slowly. Her voice was cold and steady. "It is annoying to be pestered by a man of this class."

"I'll go away peaceably!" cried Davenport pitifully, looking imploringly at Janet. "I didn't know what I was doing—I wasn't myself—I apologise if I've annoyed this lady!"

"I think I will not trouble to charge him, constable," said Janet. "Only if you should see him hanging about the stage-door after the performance at any time."

"I'll move him on in double-quick time, ma'am," said the constable with alacrity. He released Davenport, and pushed him away. "Now be off with you, my man, and be careful or you'll see the inside of a cell yet. I shall know you again."

Davenport was thankful to slink away, thoroughly sobered and frightened.

The constable hailed a cab, and Janet drove home. She wondered with a sense of dreary hopelessness what she was to do.

To be continued to-morrow.

SATURDAY'S ATHLETICS.

Great Race at Stamford Bridge—
Rest of England Beat L.A.C.

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Sixteen of the finest sprinters in England took part in the mile relay race, which formed the principal attraction of the second Spring Meeting of the London Athletic Club at Stamford Bridge on Saturday afternoon, in which the Rest of England defeated the L.A.C.

It was arranged that they should start in pairs—one representing the L. C. and the other the Rest of England—and run eight bursts of 20 yards, one pair starting directly the other finished.

As the club team included K. Cornwallis (the Oxford athlete), C. H. Jupp, L. F. Tremear, G. Comrie, and R. W. Barclay; and the others C. F. Brewill (the 220 yards champion), J. W. Morton and the crack sprinters of the Salford, Birchfield, and Liverpool clubs, a great race and terrific time was anticipated. Unfortunately Barclay was unable to get away, and C. W. Fox had met with an accident, so that Ward, who is scarcely at his

best at so short a distance, ran as a substitute, and actually lost 13 yards in the sixth furlong. This probably lost the L.A.C. the race, though even at the finish they only lost by 5 yards, or 2-5ths of a second. The time of the Rest, for whom Brewlin ran the final burst, was 3min. 9 2-5sec. Jupp ran the fastest furlong in 23sec. Most of the cracks took part in the 100 yards Invitation handicap with a limit of 4 yards, and Clube, of the South London Harriers, won, beating Thompson, of the Birchfield Harriers.

The other events do not call for special notice.
Delightful weather prevailed.

Results in Brief.

Three Miles Walking Challenge Cup and Yacht Handicap.—F. B. Thompson (23min. 18 2-5sec.), 1; R. H. Watson (holder) (23min. 4 2-5sec.), 2; P. J. Bellingham (24min. 22 2-5sec.), 3. Won by 100 yards. Bellingham, with 1min. 25sec. start, won the handicap.

Long Distance.—R. Stacey, 1; J. L. Brown, 2; J. L. Brown, 3. Stacey, 1; J. L. Brown, 2; J. L. Brown, 3.

300 Yards Open Handicap—Final heat: E. H. Flatt (L.A.C.), 24yds start, 1; A. F. Scott (Loughborough Corinthians), 14yds, 2; H. Watson (L.A.C.), 8yds, 3. Won by 2 yards in 31.4-sec.

1,000 Yards Challenge Cup—E. S. Ward, 1; J. B. Densham, 2; P. A. Casserey, 3. Won by 12 yards in 2m. 10.4-sec.

1 Mile and a Half Handicap—G. Still (Highgate H.), 15yds, 1; E. R. Small (L.A.C.), 200yds, 2; H. D. Montague (Malden H.), 180yds, 3. Won by 12 yards in 10m. 1.4-sec.

One Mile Relay Race.—L.A.C. v. Rest of England.—
Teams of eight, each pair running 220 yards. The Rest,
led by L. J. de L. (S.L.H.), 5. H. Rogers (S.L.H.),
(Manchester University A.C.), W. Hile (Salford H.A.),
S. Hurdfield (Crewe Alexandra), S. H. Thompson
(Birchfield H.), F. E. Ayto Rowell (Liverpool H. and H.A.),
A. C. J. W. Morton (S.L.H.), and G. F. Brewitt (Lough-
borough Corinthians), beat the L.A.C., for whom the
runners were H. Watson, C. H. Jupp, L. F. Tremere,
W. H. Arton, K. Wallis,
W. T. Underhill, Condie, Clark, G. Jupp, and Tra-

meer, the L.A.C. led by 8 yards at half a mile (aggregate time, 1min. 35sec.), but Ward, who ran as a substitute, owing to Barclay and Fox not being able to start, lost not only the start, but 5 yards besides in the six furlongs, and the Res. won by 5 yards in 3min. 9 2/3sec.

Final Heat: H. H. Clube (S.L.H.), 4 yds. start; I. S. H. Thompson (Birchfield H.), 21yds. 2; J. W. Morton (S.L.H.), scratch. 3. Won by a yard in 10.1sec.

120 Yards Open Handicap.—Final Heat: C. E. Towers (S.L.H.), 84yds; I. F. J. C. Shepherd (L.A.C.), 8yds,

2. E. E. Byre (Rushmore, Liverpool H. and A.C.), 3yds.
3. W. W. Byre (Rushmore, Liverpool H. and A.C.), 3yds.
4. Half-Mile Handicap—H. Elliott (L.A.C.), 38yds; 1.
F. Heyes (L.A.C.), 40yds; 2. C. W. B. King (L.A.C.),
55yds; 3. Won by a foot after a free struggle in 1min.
55 2-5sec.

CHAMPIONS RUN A MATCH.

Much to the disappointment of the 7,000 or more spectators at the Blackheath Harriers' Sports at the

The seven miles amateur walking champion, G. E. Lerner, was at scratch in the two miles walking handicap. He finished fourth, and covered the distance in 25min. 47.3-sec.

13min. 49.1-5sec. First prize was secured by J. T. Full (Blackheath H.), 360yds start, who beat W. J. Palmer (Northampton Institute H.), 320yds, by 15 yards in 13min. 45.1-5sec.

14min. 11.1-5sec. Bell (Putney A.C.), 7yds, proved a fairly easy winner of the 100 yards sprint, beating E. E. Parkhurst (Herne Hill H.), 6yds, by a full yard in 10.1-5sec. A representative of the Royal Naval College in C. J. Limpney, 14yds, ran well in the 300 yards, but had to rest content with finishing third in E. Walker (Northampton Institute H.), 6yds, and T. Poole (Northampton Institute H.), 10yds, and in the 400 yards, 8.1-5sec.

The cycle events were marred by an unfortunate accident. In the second round of the half-mile handicap W. E. Hunt (Baltham C.C.), 58½, had to be carried off to hospital, suffering from a fracture of a fractured skull. The final heat of the race in question resulted in favour of G. F. Blakesley (Polytechnic C.C.), 85½s start, who beat A. W. Hunt (Baltham C.C.), 88½s, by half a wheel. Time, 58½-55sec.

A one mile open cycle handicap was won by G. S. Montgomery (Pony C.C.), 10 mins start, F. A. Nagler (Polytechnic), 80yds, being second. Time, 3 mi. 6-sec.

Jason (Polytechnic) 3. The five miles bicycle scratch race was won by Leon Meredith, who beat Janson by a yard in 12min. 15.5sec. J. M. Poncione and G. Wood (both of the Polytechnic) won the mile tandem handicap, with 10yds start, and T. Tiesier, with 30sec. start, won the five miles tandem handicap.

Very successful, in the open events at the National Cycling Club's sports at Celtic Park, Glasgow, was the Putney cyclist A. E. Willis. He won the "lap" cycle handicap, from 72yds behind scratch, the lap and a half level cycle race, and also the three miles point-to-point

NATIONAL CYCLISTS' UNION.

It is just possible that the British Empire Cycling Championships, on July 23, may not, after all, take place on the Gosforth track, Newcastle, as originally arranged. It is said that the proprietors of the track are asking for

more than double the amount charged last year. To this alleged increase in price, the N.C.U. object, and unless the Newcastle Centre can satisfactorily arrange matters with the track proprietors the championships will be decided in another centre.

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